

The Ohio Creek Project

January 2018 Newsletter



● Project Update

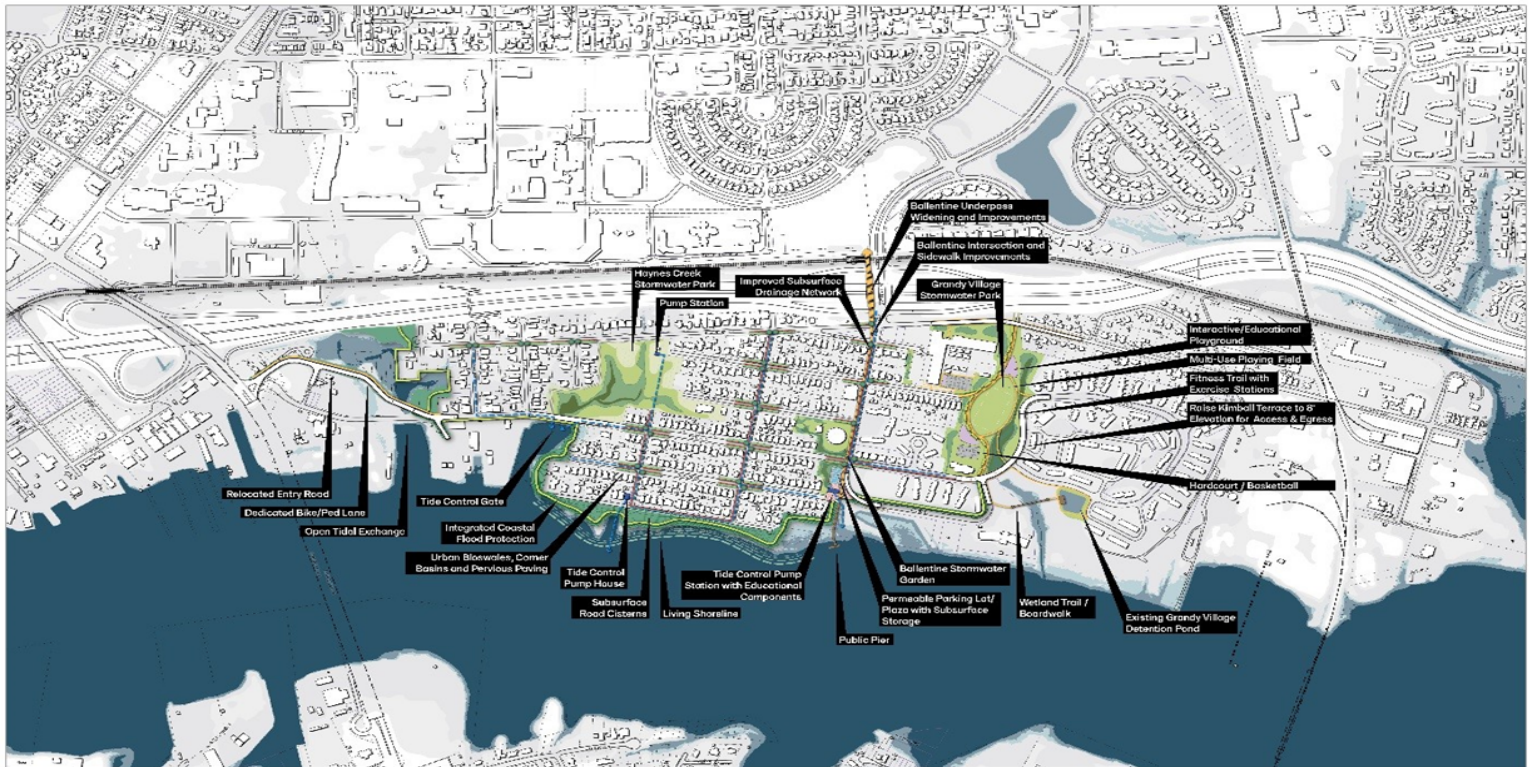
Where are we in the process? An update from Christine Morris, Chief Resilience Officer

● Project Timeline

Mark your calendar with these important dates

● Community Meetings

From park plans to environmental impact, get the latest information at these community meetings



The Project Update

Flood protection & new amenities based on your input

I am so pleased to work with you as we create and build a transformational coastal improvement project. As many of you know, the Ohio Creek Project will help reduce flooding, improve your public space and ensure that your neighborhood thrives for years to come.

I appreciate the time many of you have taken to come to the community meetings or provide your comments online about the project.

The Ohio Creek project is possible because of a \$112 million grant from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. Some of the project highlights include:

- Protecting the shoreline so that high water in the river does not enter your neighborhood
- Hold rainfall longer so it doesn't flow into storm drains and flood the streets
- Build a living shoreline that helps the environment

How are we going to accomplish this?

- With elevated roads, earthen berms, and floodwalls
- Rain gardens, protected wetlands and pervious paving and walkways
- Waterfront park space, living shoreline, new trees, more access to the water

Your input is reflected in the current map of the project above.

I hope you enjoy this first project newsletter. I plan to send quarterly newsletters throughout the project to keep you informed every step of the way.

I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming community meetings!

Christine Morris
Chief Resilience Officer

Project Timeline

Grant Award to the Commonwealth—January 2017
Subrecipient Agreement with the City of Norfolk—March 2017
Permittable Drawings—Winter 2018
Bid Packages for Construction—Fall 2019
Construction Completed—Summer 2022

For more information, visit the project website, www.norfolk.gov/ohiocreek or contact Christine Morris, Chief Resilience Officer, at christine.morris@norfolk.gov or (757) 441-2602 ext. 233.

Upcoming Community Meetings

Wednesday, January 24, 2018:

5:30 to 7:00 pm

Grandy Village Learning Center

Discuss the Proposed Community Recreation & Park Amenities

Wednesday, February 21, 2018:

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Grandy Village Learning Center

Environmental Impact Community Input Meeting



Property Easements/Purchases

To implement this project, the city will need to acquire a number of easements and will seek to purchase a small number of properties. Property owners are being contacted directly via US Mail to discuss impacts to their property. If you have received a letter or have any questions, **please contact Christine Morris, Chief Resilience Officer, City of Norfolk** at christine.morris@norfolk.gov or (757) 441-2602 ext. 23



Photos: Community Project Meetings

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